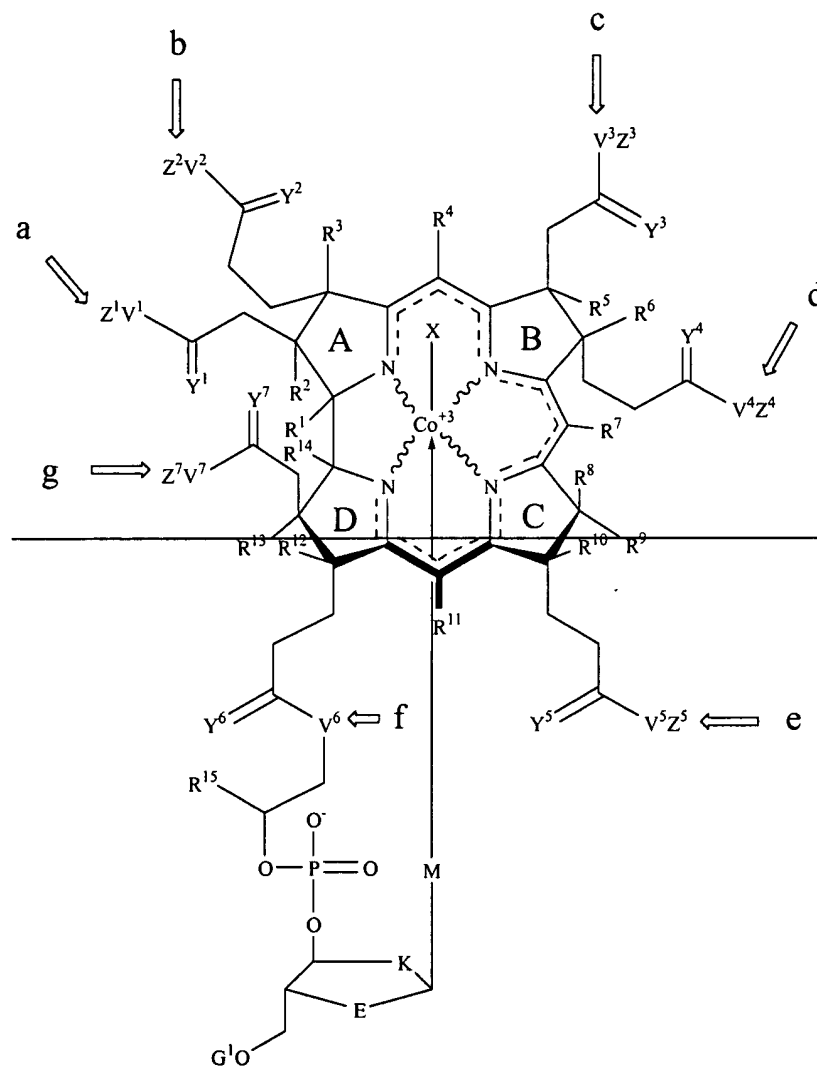


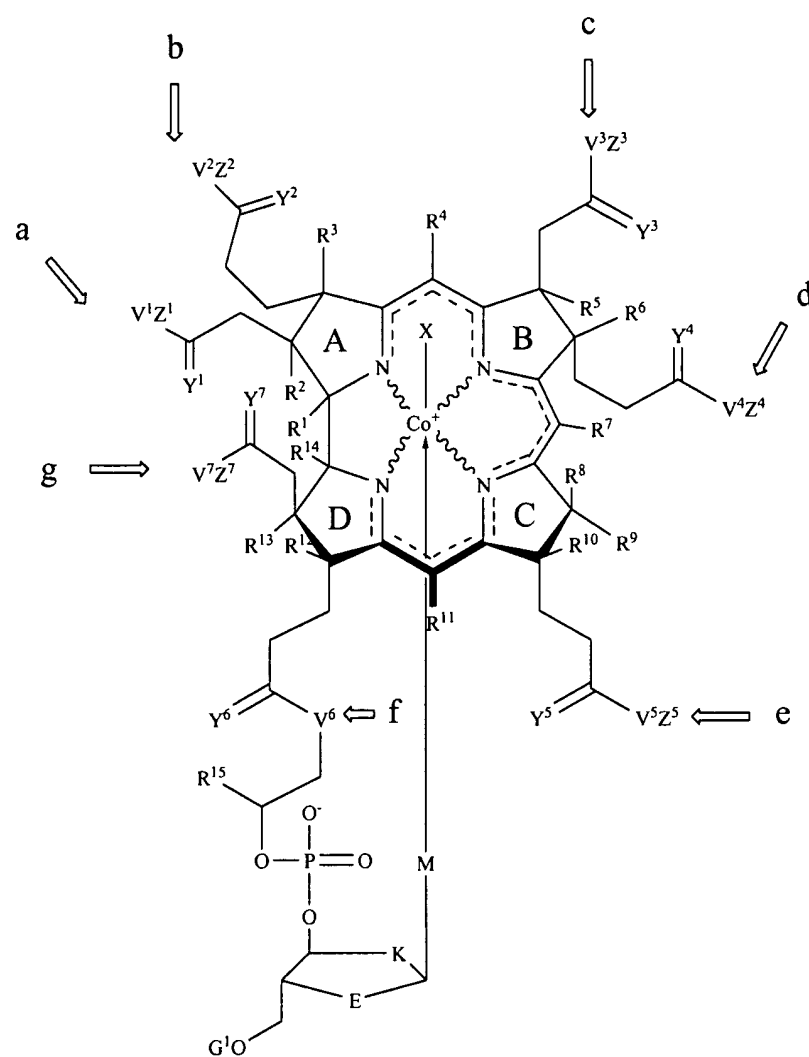
**Amendments to the Specification:**

Please amend the following paragraph beginning at line 3, the second paragraph, to read:

Approximately 1.2 million Americans are diagnosed with cancer each year, 8,000 of which are children. In addition, 500,000 Americans die from cancer each year in the United States alone. Prostate and lung cancers are the leading causes of death in men while breast and lung cancer are the leading causes of death in women. It is estimated that cancer-related costs account for about 10 percent of the total amount spent on disease treatment in the United States. ~~(CNN.Cancer.Facts~~[http://www.cnn.com/HEALTH/9511/conquer\\_cancer/facts/index.html](http://www.cnn.com/HEALTH/9511/conquer_cancer/facts/index.html)~~, page 2 of 2, July 18, 1999).~~

Please amend the figure appearing at the bottom of page 13, as follows:





Please amend the figure appearing in the middle of page 31, as follows:

